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Filey Urban District Council.

**REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH,**  
**For the Year ended 31st December, 1925.**

March 2nd, 1926.

To the FILEY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

To the CHAIRMAN and MEMBERS of the FILEY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

MR. CHAIRMAN AND COUNCILLORS,

In presenting my Report for the year 1925, I beg to inform you forty-one births were registered in Filey during the year; twenty-nine males and twelve females. This gives for the year a birth-rate of ten decimal seven.

Births, 41 for year.  
Birthrate:— 10·7.  
Death-rate for year, 10·  
Thirty-eight deaths were registered in Filey during the year 1925; twenty-one males and seventeen females. This gives a death-rate for the year of ten per thousand.

The deaths occurred at the following ages:—

Under 1 year	2 years	20 to 50	50 to 70	70 to 80	80 and over
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The chief causes of deaths during the year were:—

Brain disease, 9	Influenza and Respiratory disease, 6
Tuberculosis, 2	Convulsions in children, 2
Heart disease, 7	Cancer, 4

One death gave rise to a Coroner's Inquest.

During the year very little infectious disease occurred in the town.

There was no venereal disease in the town and very little tuberculosis.

The Rainfall for the year 1925 amounted to 27·30 inches. Rain falling on 219 days during the year. The wettest month was September, when rain fell 20 days, giving 4·47 inches. The driest month was June, rain falling on 8 days, giving ·18 of an inch.

The Sewerage and drainage of the town has been well done during the year. There are no cesspools in our town, a direct drainage from all houses with the town sewers is complete.

During the year the Council's staff, under the direction of the Sanitary Inspector, have carried out the scavenging of the town—and every house must have a galvanized iron movable dust-bin, with a proper fitting lid.

The dairies, milkshops and cowsheds have been regularly inspected during the year, and no important defects have been found. Most of our milk comes into the town from our neighbouring villages; the milk is good in quality, and we can command an excellent supply. The County Council inspector frequently takes samples of our milk for analytical purposes, and I have not heard of any complaints during the year.

I have inspected the Factories and Workshops in the town during the year and found them all in a satisfactory condition, no overcrowding and properly ventilated.

The Schools, Bakeries and Slaughter-houses have been regularly inspected and found in a satisfactory condition. The Grand Theatre was always found in good order and sanitary.

A trained Midwifery Nurse from the County Council visits our maternity cases, when necessary. We have excellent maternity nurses in the town who look after our infant population.

During the year no complaints have been made to me that a house was unfit for habitation, and only one complaint reached me that a house was insanitary. I hope that under "The Housing Acts" for working-class dwellings, some steps will be taken. The older houses in the town are below the standard of modern requirements, and the provision of improved accommodation should be considered in the early future.

The Council have arrangements with the County Council, whereby a bacteriological and microscopical examination of any suspected matter, by expert analysts, is done. This arrangement is most valuable in detecting the microbes of infectious and contagious disease.

The Water Supply during the year has been fully maintained; the water has been of good quality and sufficient to meet all demands.

I am, Mr. Chairman and Councillors,

Your obedient Servant,

J. THOS. HAWORTH,

Medical Officer of Health.





